

extension of time, i.e., through Monday, January 22, 1996, as set forth on the above Certificate of Mailing. Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 07-1765 in the appropriate amount.

Reconsideration of pending claims 1-29 is respectfully requested, in view of the Amendments and Remarks set forth below.

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend Claims 5 and 25, as follows:

Claim 5. (Once Amended) The patch bag according to claim 1, wherein the [first] homogeneous ethylene/alpha-olefin copolymer has a density of from about 0.87 to 0.94 g/cc.

Claim ~~24~~<sup>25</sup> (Once Amended) The heat-shrinkable patch bag according to claim ~~22~~<sup>23</sup>, wherein [the bag comprising] the second heat-shrinkable film comprises:

an outside layer comprising at least one member selected from the group consisting of ethylene/alpha-olefin copolymer having a density of from about 0.85 to 0.95, propylene/ethylene copolymer, polyamide, ethylene/vinyl acetate copolymer, ethylene/methyl acrylate copolymer, and ethylene/butyl acrylate copolymer;

a core O<sub>2</sub> barrier layer comprising at least one member selected from the group consisting of ethylene/vinyl alcohol copolymer, polyvinyl chloride, polyvinylidene chloride, polyamide, polyester, polyacrylonitrile; and